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To / सेवामें,

The Controller of Legal Metrology,
All States/UTs

Subject: Advisory regarding amendment in the Standard Operating Procedure (SoP) dated 29.12.2023 for determination of net quantity and standard pack sizes for Edible Oils & Fats under the Legal Metrology framework – reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the above-mentioned subject and to state that the Department, after examining representations and suggestions received from stakeholders and industry associations regarding proliferation of varying package quantities in edible oils, and with a view to promoting consumer clarity, transparency and ease of price comparison, has issued the following advisory for guidance and smooth implementation under the Standard Operating Procedure (SoP) dated 29.12.2023.

2. The following provisions may be read as an insertion after paragraph 5 of the said SoP:

“6. Standard Pack Sizes for Edible Oils:

(i) For major edible oils namely palm oil or palmolein, soybean oil, sunflower oil, mustard/ rapeseed oil, groundnut oil, sesame oil, rice bran oil, cottonseed oil, corn oil and their blends, the following standard pack sizes are recommended:

S. No.	Package Size	Applicability
(a)	Below 200 g or 200 ml	No restriction
(b)	200 g, 500 g, 1 kg, 2 kg, 3 kg, 4 kg, 5 kg, 15 kg, 20 kg. If net quantity is declared by volume then 200 ml, 500 ml, 1 litre, 2 litre, 3 litre, 4 litre, 5 litre, 15 litre, 20 litre and the net quantity must be declared by weight also in the same size of letters/ numerals.	Standard packaging applicable

(ii) Minor edible oils, other than those specified in sub-clause (i), shall remain exempt from the standard pack size requirement. However, such packages including those mentioned above, shall continue to comply with applicable provisions relating to declaration of Unit Sale Price (USP) under the Legal Metrology (Packaged Commodities) Rules, 2011.

(iii) In accordance with the provisions of the Legal Metrology (Packaged Commodities) Rules, 2011 and the Standard Operating Procedure dated 29.12.2023, wherever quantity

of edible oils is declared in terms of volume (litre or millilitre), the package shall also bear declaration of the equivalent quantity by weight (kg or g), as determined under the applicable provisions of the Fourth Schedule of the said Rules.

(iv) The above provisions shall apply uniformly to domestically manufactured as well as imported edible oils.

(v) The determination of net quantity, sampling, testing and error evaluation for such packages shall continue to be carried out in accordance with the procedure prescribed under this SoP.

(vi) Manufacturers, packers and importers may adopt the prescribed pack sizes immediately. However, a transition period of three months from the date of issue of this amendment shall be available for compliance with the above provisions."

Encl.: SoP dated 29.12.2023

Yours faithfully/आपका विश्वासपात्र



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